

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 14 and 15-17 as follows:

14. (Thrice Amended) An ultrasonic motor comprising: a vibrating body; a piezoelectric element having a plurality of areas and formed on the vibrating body; and a plurality of electrodes each formed on a respective one of the areas of the piezoelectric element; wherein the areas of the piezoelectric element on which the electrodes are formed are polarized in the same direction after the piezoelectric element is formed on the vibrating body.

15. (Thrice Amended) An ultrasonic motor comprising: a generally plate-shaped vibrating body; and a piezoelectric element bonded on the vibrating body and having four areas separated by two diagonal lines of the vibrating body and a plurality of polarized portions polarized in the same direction, each area having an electrode portion corresponding to a respective one of the polarized portions; wherein the vibrating body is vibrated by applying drive signals different in phase by 180 degrees to two of the electrode portions.

16. (Thrice Amended) An ultrasonic motor comprising: a generally plate-shaped body; and a piezoelectric element bonded on the vibrating body and having four areas

separated by two lines connecting a center of a first side of the vibrating body and a center of a second side of the vibrating body opposite to the first side, each area having an electrode portion; wherein the piezoelectric element has a plurality of polarized portions polarized in the same direction and each corresponding to a respective one of the electrode portions; and wherein the vibrating body is vibrated by applying drive signals different in phase by 180 degrees to two of the electrode portions.

17. (Twice Amended) An ultrasonic motor comprising: a vibrating body having a piezoelectric element for vibrating the vibrating body; a moving body rotationally driven by a vibration of the vibrating body; a pressurizing member for pressing the moving body into pressure contact with the vibrating body; and a bearing portion disposed on the pressurizing member for guiding rotational movement of the moving body; wherein rotational movement of the moving body is restricted by the pressurizing member and the bearing portion.

ADDITIONAL FEES:

No additional fees are believed required; however, should it be determined that a fee is due, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.